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State Issues

- **Karnataka's Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR)** reduced to **69 per lakh live births**. Karnataka is **one of the eight States in the country** that have achieved the **Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) target** much ahead of schedule
- **Vikram Kirloskar**, the man who **brought Toyota to Karnataka** passed away
- **Kutumba** won the silver award for **"Excellence in Governance Process Re-engineering for digital Transformation"** under national Award for e governance
- **Archaeological Survey of India (Bangalore Circle)** is preparing the **"monument health card"** for all 129 protected monuments across 17 districts in Karnataka to create a complete database of all monuments in its jurisdiction, for the first time
- According to the **National Family Health Survey-5 (NFHS 2020-21)**, **65.5 per cent of children aged 6-59 months** in Karnataka are anaemic.
- With an intent to promote **sporting activities** among the staff, the **Karnataka State Fire and Emergency Services (KSFES)** is all set to get a **dedicated sports promotion board**.
- **Bengaluru** will play **host to the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors' meeting**
- **Kinnal toys** is a **traditional wooden craft** from the town of Kinnhal (town is famous for Kinnhal toys and religious idols) in **Koppal District** in Karnataka by **Chitragara artisans community**
- A delegation from the World Bank held discussions with the Karnataka government regarding the **'Resilient Karnataka Programme'**, aimed at making the state climate-resilient and also strengthen it to mitigate disaster risks, along with international expertise
- Cardiologist and director of Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research **C.N. Manjunath**, writer **Krishnappa G.** and **social activist and businessman S. Shadakshari** have been selected for the **Nadoja Award**
- Under **Punyakoti Dattu Yojana** initiative, **Individuals may adopt cattle** by **paying rupees 11,000** per animal, for a **period of the year**. Anyone can also choose the length of time, which can be anywhere from 3 months to 5 years. This program **encourages private and public organizations** to adopt cows from goshalas (cow shelters)
- **Bengaluru**, have **largest digital payment transactions** in the January to October 2022 period, the highest in the country, according to a study by Worldline India. The second highest is **recorded at Hyderabad, followed by Chennai and financial capital Mumbai**
- The **State government declared human rabies** a **fatal viral disease** that spreads through the bite of rabid animals (mainly dogs) as a notifiable disease under the **Karnataka Epidemic Diseases Act, 2020**.
- **Moodbidri** gears up to host **25th International Cultural Jamboree of Scouts and Guides**. The international event is being **organised for the first time in India** by **Alva's Education Foundation**

- **Raichur district** has become the **first confirmed Zika virus case** in the state
- Raising objection to the **formulation of the detailed project report** for the **Almatti-Pennar proposed link project**, Karnataka has registered its concern over not being indicated or allocated its share of water in the Godavari-Cauvery river linking project.
- **The Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited (KBJNL)** has invited tenders for offering **technical expertise to install 26 additional gates** in quick time to the reservoir built across River Krishna here.
- Technical Training Program to skill ISRO employees in latest trends in space industry gets **underway in Bangalore, Mumbai, and Trivandrum. First training programme inaugurated at NSTI, Bangalore**
- **India Energy Week 2023 (IEW 2023)** to be organised during India's **G20 Presidency**, will be held in **Bengaluru in 2023**
- The **South Western Railway (SWR)** has issued work order for redevelopment of **Bengaluru Cantonment station** into a "world class terminal."
- **Bengaluru** will host the upcoming **Army Day parade** on **January 15, 2023**
- The **Airports Council International (ACI)** has awarded **Mangaluru International Airport** with the 'Voice of the Customer' award.
- **Tippu Nija Kanasugalu** is authored by **Addanda C Cariappa**
- Lok Sabha passes Bill to include **Betta-Kuruba community** in ST category in Karnataka
- **Basavaraj Horatti** was unanimously chosen as **Council Chairman**
- **New birds and animals** have arrived from the **Greens Zoological Rescue** and the **Rehabilitation Kingdom** in **Gujarat** to **Pilikula Biological Park, Mangaluru**
- Kannada writer **Moodnakudu Chinnasway's** book **Bahutvada Bharath mattu Bouddha tatvikate** has bagged **Akademi award**
- **Journalist Padmaraj Dandavati 's Seetha** : Ramayanada Sachitra Maru kathan got an award in the translation category (Kannada).
- **Karnataka government to set up 'star category industrial area'** in **Belagavi** under 'one district-one project programme'



- The **86th edition of Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana** (all-India Kannada literary meet) in **Haveri**
- **Former Vice-Chancellor of University of Mysore K.S. Rangappa** has been elected as a **fellow of The World Academy of Science (TWAS)** for the programme unit of UNESCO.
- **M K Pranesh** elected as **Deputy Chairperson of Karnataka Legislative Council**
- National Youth Festival in the twin cities of **Hubballi and Dharwad** January 2023
- **Raghunath Vishwanathrao Deshpande** was honoured with the **“Best Legislator Award” for 2022 by the Karnataka Legislative Assembly**
- **‘Stay Safe Online’** campaign aims to raise awareness about cyber risks and the need for cyber hygiene **by G-20 initiative**
- **Sports Award**
 - a) **Cricketer** : Karun Nair and rower Tarun Krishnaprasad
 - b) **Lifetime achievement award**: Veteran athletics coach Gaonkar GV and Capt. Dilip Kumar (kayaking & canoeing)
 - c) **Karnataka Kreedha Ratna**: Pooja Gaali (atya patya), Kiran Kumar (ball badminton), Gopal Naik (kambala), Deeksha K (kho-kho), Shivayogi Basappa Bagewadi (stone lifting), Lakshmi Biredekar (wrestling), P Gopalakrishna (yoga), Raghavendra Hondadakeri (powerlifting), Sooraj Annikeri, wrestling), Shashank BM (para swimming), D Nagaraju (yoga), Shrivarshini (gymnastics), Avinash Naik (judo).
 - d) **Sports promoter award** : Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheswara Educational Trust, Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences RVCE, Hoodi Sports club, Sri Bala Maruti Institution, Eminent Shooting club, Balanjaneya Gymnasium, Basavanagudi Aquatic Centre, Padukone –Dravid Centre for sports Excellence
 - e) **Ekalavya awards**: Jeevan KS (athletics), Nitin (netball), Ashwini Bhat (badminton), Tarun Krishnaprasad (rowing), Lopamudra Thimmaiah (basketball), Likith SP (swimming), Anargya Manjunath (table tennis), Danamma Chichakhandi (cycling), Ashwal Rai (volleyball), Vasundhara MN (judo), Pradhan Somanna, (hockey), Prashanth Kumar Rai (kabaddi), Radha V (para athletics), Muneer Basha (kho-kho).



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National Issues

- **Yudh Abhayas** is a joint military exercise between **India –U.S** conducted in Uttarkhand about 100km from Line of actual Control
- **Chennai-based space tech** startup **Agnikul Cosmos** has launched **India's first private launchpad** and **mission control centre** at the Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) in Sriharikota.
- The **oldest Muslim organisation in the country**, Jamiat Ulama-i-Hind, has **become the first Muslim body to accept caste-based Pasmada Muslim identity** of community members.
- **Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog & UNDP** India launch **Community Innovator Fellowship**
- Joint **Exercise Agni Warrior** Indian Army with **Singapore Armed Forces** Concludes at Devlali (Maharashtra)
- Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud has constituted an **all-women bench comprising Justices Hima Kohli and Bela M. Trivedi** to hear transfer petitions involving matrimonial disputes and bail matters. This is the **third occasion in the history of the apex court** that an all-women bench has been constituted.
- **The International Lusophone Festival will be held at Goa**
- The **Digi Yatra paperless airport** entry facility is functional at three airports in the country, at Delhi, Varanasi and Bengaluru and **Inaugurated at Indira Gandhi International Airport**
- **Harimau Shakti 2022: Indian Army** conducts **joint military exercise** in jungle terrain with **Malaysia counterparts**
- The **government has named 21 uninhabited islands** in the union territory of Andaman & Nicobar after **recipients of Param Vir Chakra**, the country's highest wartime gallantry award. **Major Rama Raghoba Rane name is one among them from Karnataka**
- **100 monuments across the country** will be **illuminated with the G20 logo** and its colours as India takes over the presidency of the international grouping.
 - The **list of monuments drawn up by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)** to mark the occasion includes the Shankaracharya Temple in Srinagar, the Nalanda ruins in Bihar, the Purana Qila complex and Humayun's Tomb in Delhi, the Modhera Sun temple and the ancient Dholavira site in Gujarat, **the Tipu Sultan Palace in Bengaluru**, the Hemis Monastery in Ladakh, the Chola temple of Thanjavur and the Konark Sun temple in Puri and **The Taj Mahal in Agra, despite being a UNESCO World Heritage Site, will not be illuminated with the G20 logo.**
- SHESTEM 2022 is organised by the **Embassy of Sweden in India in partnership with the Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog, Government of India** and the German Centre of Innovation and Research in **New Delhi** to celebrate women in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and sustainability,

- **NHAI and Maha Metro** entered into **Guinness Book of World Record** in Nagpur by **constructing longest Double Decker Viaduct (3.14 KM)** with Highway Flyover & Metro Rail Supported on single column.
- **Shriram Finance** becomes '**largest retail NBFC**'
- A **MoU** was signed between **Walmart Global Sourcing India Private Limited** and the **National Small Industries Corporation Limited**.
- **National Crisis Management Committee** is set up in the **wake of a natural calamity for effective coordination and implementation** of relief measures and operations. **Headed by Cabinet Secretary. Current Chairmen is Shri Rajiv Gauba.** On the constitution of such a committee, the Agriculture Secretary shall provide all necessary information to and seek directions
- Centre cleared a **Gujarat State law** that **empowers police officers** to register cases, **without informing the local court in writing, against persons who protest and agitate violating Section 144** of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC).
- Maharashtra is the first State in the country to have a separate Ministry for the Divyang people
- **The ISRO has signed an MoU with Social Alpha**, a multistage innovation curation and **venture development platform** for **science and technology start-ups**, to **launch SpaceTech Innovation Network (SpIN)**
- **Photometric observations** taken with the **3.6 m Devasthal Optical Telescope** **detects unexpected kilonova emission** from 'a long-duration gamma-ray burst'
- Gamma Ray Bursts are powerful **astronomical cosmic bursts of high-energy gamma-ray**. It **emits more energy in a few seconds** than our **Sun will emit in its lifetime**. They has two distinct emission phases, the **short-lived prompt emission** (the initial burst phase that emits gamma-rays) and followed by a **long-lived multi-wavelength afterglow phase**.
- **Telangana** leads the country with cybercrime fraud (credit/debit card fraud, ATM fraud, online banking fraud, OTP-related frauds, and other frauds) in 2021.
- **PM Modi inaugurates** first phase of **Mopa international airport in Goa**. The airport **would be named Manohar** International Airport after former Goa Chief Minister (late) Manohar Parrikar
- **Three National Ayush** institutes inaugurated by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. **All India Institute of Ayurveda in Goa, National Institute of Unani Medicine in Ghaziabad, and National Institute of Homoeopathy at Delhi**
- **Uttarakhand** is planning for **genetic enhancement for Badri cow** to increase the milk productivity ,as its capacity is quite less as it gives one to three litres of milk a day.
- **Maharashtra** receives **National Award for Institutional Empowerment 2022** under category **Badhamukta Vatavaran Ke Srijan Mein Sarvshrestha Rajya Award** for making Buildings Accessible for Divyang Jan
- **Ministry of Culture** organizes "**Daakroom**", the letter writing carnival in Association with **Department of Post** and **Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti** is

aimed to **give a digital detox with the aim of reviving the art of letter writing** in India.

- **Ministry of culture in collaboration with Ministry of Textile inaugurated Jharokha** - Compendium of Indian handicraft, handloom, art and culture” at Dilli Haat, New Delhi.
- **Canara Bank** announced that it received the **“Banker's Bank of the Year Award 2022”** for the India segment at the Global Banking Summit, which was held in London, UK
- **Coastal Security Conference 2022** was held at **Chennai**
- **Ministry of Culture organizes International conference** on the contributions of **“J C Bose: A Satyagrahi Scientist”** as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsava.
- The **1st Sherpa Meeting of India's G20 Presidency** begins in the **historic city of Udaipur, Rajasthan**
- **9th World Ayurveda Congress and Arogya Expo 2022 Inaugurated in Goa**
- **Ministry of Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs)** launched a web portal called **‘SAMADHAAN’** for **monitoring of the outstanding dues to the Micro and Small Enterprises** from the buyers of goods and services.
- **‘SATAT’ scheme on Compressed Bio Gas (CBG)** encourages entrepreneurs to set up CBG plants, **produce & supply CBG to Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs)** for sale as automotive & industrial fuels.
- The Joint Venture between **Vedanta and Foxconn** under the Scheme for setting up of **semiconductor Fabs in Gujarat**
- **SAIL is procuring imported Metallurgical Coal** under **long term agreements from Australia, United States of America (USA), Indonesia and Mozambique**. **Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL)** has also **Long Term Agreements** with various global coal suppliers from countries such as **Australia, Canada, USA, Indonesia and Mozambique**
- **DRDO** has been launched **Dare to Dream Contest** every year to bring together **innovators, entrepreneurs, individuals above 18 years and start-ups** (recognised by DPIIT and with Indian founders) for innovative ideas in the field of Defence and Aerospace.
- The Government has established **two Defence Industrial Corridors (DICs)** in the country, one in **Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor (Aligarh, Agra, Chitrakoot, Jhansi, Kanpur and Lucknow)** and **Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor (Chennai, Coimbatore, Hosur, Salem and Tiruchirappalli)**
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** to participate in the **150th birth anniversary** celebrations of noted Bengali scholar, poet, nationalist and spiritual guru **Aurobindo Ghosh at Kampan Kalai Sangam in Puducherry** as part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations.
- The results of the study by the Tata Memorial Centre showed that a commonly **available and inexpensive drug, carboplatin, increased the cure rate and survival of a very aggressive type of breast cancer**, called triple-negative breast cancer, especially among young women who have this disease.

- **'Under the Sal Tree'** theatre festival **gets underway at Rampur in Assam**
- MoU signed between **Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) Limited and TEXPROCIL** on Branding, Traceability and Certification of **"Kasturi Cotton India"**
- A unique scientific exercise **serving the combined national objectives** of reducing desertification and providing livelihood and multi-disciplinary rural industry support has **been initiated by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)**. The project named **"Bamboo Oasis on Lands in Drought" (BOLD)** is the first of its kind exercise in India launched from the tribal village NichlaMandwa in Udaipur, Rajasthan.
- **Atal Innovation Mission and UNDP** India launch 5th edition of Youth Co:Lab for Young Entrepreneurs and launched by **Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog and UNDP India**
- CARINGS portal for adoption maintained by CARA revamped to ensure online processing of adoption cases expeditiously and transparently
- The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Government of India organised **"DIVYAKALSHAKTI" -2022 at Guwahati**
- **Paradip Port** achieved another milestone by **handling highest ever cargo traffic of in a single day in 2022**
- **Ministry of culture** in collaboration with **Prasiddha foundation** organises Delhi International Arts Festival at Kartavya Path with the tagline - **'Where Bharat Meets India'**
- **India has jumped from 7th to 3rd global ranking in scientific publications** as per the National Science Foundation (NSF)'s Science & Engineering Indicators 2022 report of the United States
- **Good Governance Week 2022**, from **December 10-18, 2022**, **"Prashasan Gaon Ki Ore"** a **Nationwide Campaign** launched
- The **63rd Session of the Indian Historical Records Committee IHRC** will be **organized at Uttar Pradesh**
- The famous **Tal Chhappar blackbuck sanctuary in Rajasthan's Churu district** has received a **protective cover against a proposed move** of the State government to reduce the size of its eco-sensitive zone.
- Odisha's Keonjhar district is India's highest recipient of funds under the District Mineral Foundation (DMF) scheme, and has spent Rs.3,000 crore under the scheme over the past seven years, but the district has only recently finalised real beneficiaries.
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** attended the **golden jubilee celebration** of the **North Eastern Council in Shillong, Meghalaya.**
- **Kerala tops the country in terms of citizen with passport**
- **Gaya and Nalanda** have been selected for development under **Swadesh Darshan 2.0**
- **Urban-20 (U20)** event being organised under G20 presidency of India **at Gujarat**
- The **Smart Cities Mission, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs** won the Platinum Icon in the Digital India Awards 2022 for their initiative **"DataSmart Cities:**

Empowering Cities through Data” under the 'Data Sharing and Use for Socio Economic Development' category

- **Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs**, an autonomous institution under the aegis of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India has launched a programme to create **Impact Leaders in the areas of Environmental-Social-Governance**
- **Ladakh** got its first ever **Geographical Indication (GI) Tag** to its **Raktsey Karpo Apricot**.
- **Gujarat's Vadnagar town**, the iconic **Sun Temple at Modhera**, and the rock cut sculptures of **Unakoti in Tripura** have been added to the tentative list of **UNCESO World Heritage Sites**
- **Social Progress Index (SPI)** for States and Districts received by EAC-PM, released reported: **Puducherry, Lakshadweep, and Goa** emerge as best-performing states and **Aizawl (Mizoram), Solan (Himachal Pradesh), and Shimla (Himachal Pradesh)** are the **top 3 best-performing districts**. **Jharkhand and Bihar** are the least development states
- **India is ranked at 68th position in Global Food Security Index** released by the **British weekly The Economist**.
- **India's first infantry museum** to be inaugurated in **Mhow cantonment in Indore district of Madhya Pradesh**
- **Lalbazar** was a **nondescript village** is an **art hub** moving towards becoming a **centre for dokra**, a metalcraft popular in Bengal
- **State-of- the-art Cardiac Centre** Inaugurated at **NLC India Hospital Tamil nadu**
- **NTPC and GE Gas Power Sign MoU** for demonstrating **Hydrogen co-firing in Gas Turbines to Further Decarbonize Power Generation**
- **IREDA signs loan agreement with KFW to finance 'Access to Clean Energy Projects'** meant for decentralized solar applications
- **Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA)** in collaboration with **Ministry of Education (MoE)** and **All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE)** has developed **'The Urban Learning Internship Program (TULIP)'**, a platform to provide



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- **MeitY's (Ministry of Electronics and IT) AI Pe Charcha** underlines the importance of quality non-personal data for AI for Social Good
- **NIRMAN Accelerator Program** launched by Start-ups Incubation and Innovation Centre (SIIC) IIT Kanpur. The accelerator program supported by **the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Govt. of India**, through its **NIDHI scheme portfolio**, will help solve challenges in the product development journey of indigenous innovations.
- **'Kavach'**- an indigenous Automatic Train Protection System to boost safety in trains operation
- **NHPC wins 'Best Globally Competitive Power Company of India – Hydropower and Renewable Energy Sector'** at PRAKASHmay '15th Enertia Awards 2022'
- As part of **'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'** – to celebrate 75 years of India's Independence, Rural Electrification Corporation Limited, a public infrastructure finance company under the Ministry of Power organized a **'Bijli Utsav' in the states of Manipur, Odisha and Chattisgarh.**
- **UIDAI gets Data Security Council of India (DSCI) AISS Award for 'Best Security Practices in Government Sector'**
- **Uttar Pradesh has the largest number of Centrally Protected Monuments that have been encroached upon, closely followed by Tamil Nadu**
- **Joynagar moa, the popular Bengal sweetmeat** available only during the colder months of the year, with the number of registered manufacturers witnessing a massive rise and its **Geographical Indication tag getting a 10-year extension.**
- **Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh** had the highest number of **"Priority 1" polluted river stretches in India**
- **Right to repair portal** and an **NTH mobile app** and opened new premises of the **National Consumer Helpline centre**. On the 'right to repair' portal, manufacturers would share the manual of product details with customers so that they could either repair by self, by third parties, rather than depend on original manufacturers. Initially, mobile phones, electronics, consumer durables, automobile and farming equipments would be covered.
- **President of India inaugurated the project "Development of Srisailam Temple in the State of Andhra Pradesh" at Srisailam Temple Complex, Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh.**
- **NTPC and Tecnimont sign MOU** to explore possibility to develop **Green Methanol Production**
- **Green Methanol Project** involves **capturing carbon from NTPC power plants** and converting it into a **green fuel**
- **Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS)** Organises Seminar on The Theme of **"Civil Military Integration: The Way Forward"** at New Delhi
- **Petroleum Ministry** to organize musical event **'Dance to Decarbonise'** in New Delhi

- **G-Sec** is a **tradeable instrument** issued by the **Central Government** or the **State Governments** and **acknowledges the Government's debt obligation**. Securities are **short term** (usually called **treasury bills**, with **original maturities of less than one year**) or **long term** (usually called **Government bonds** or **dated securities** with **original maturity of one year or more**).
- A **trademark** is a **distinctive sign** or **indicator** used by a **business** organisation to **distinguish its products or services** from those of other entities. It serves as a **badge of origin** exclusively identifying a particular business as a **source of goods or services**.
- **India** has emerged as the **largest producer and consumer of sugar** in the world and the **second largest exporter in the world economy**
- **NESTS of Tribal Affairs Ministry** to organize two-days' capacity building programme for **EMRS teachers** for **Future Engineer Program** in **collaboration with Amazon**
- **Amrit Bharat Station scheme envisages development of stations** on a continuous basis with a **long term vision for Indian Railways**
- The Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) organized **National SC-ST Hub (NSSH) Conclave at Mayurbhanj, Odisha** to promote entrepreneurship culture and spread awareness of the NSSH Scheme and other Schemes of the Ministry.
- Researchers at the **Indian Institute of Science (IISc)** have worked with a combination of **Raman spectroscopy and AI** for **quicker identification of bacterial pathogens** in different types of clinical samples
- **India and Asian Development Bank (ADB)** sign \$125 million loan to improve **Urban Services in Tamil Nadu**
- **Election Commission** to begin **delimitation exercise in Assam**, to use Census figures of 2001
- BSF '**Prahari**' app is a great example of **Proactive Governance**, **Jawans** can get **personal and service related information**, **housing**, **Ayushman-CAPF** and leave related information on their mobile
- **Department of Posts** launches an '**Online request Transfer Portal**' for **Gramin Dak Sevaks**
- **Government of India** provided a major fillip to the tourism sector through **PRASAD scheme** for a project at **Bhadrachalam temples** and another one at the **Rudreshwar or the Ramappa temple**
- **Odisha government** Launched '**Drink From Tap**' Facility In 19 Cities, Towns. Under the project, **drinking water will be supplied round the clock through taps installed in households**.
- '**Stay Safe Online**' campaign aims to raise awareness about cyber risks and the need for cyber hygiene **by G-20 initiative**





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International Issues

- **Australia started building a network of antennas** that will become one of the most powerful radio telescopes to **solve space mysteries**. With completion of , these antennas and a **network of dishes in South Africa will form the Square Kilometre Array, a massive instrument** that will untangle mysteries about the creation of stars and galaxies.
- **Sri Lanka** has sought **technical assistance** from **India's National Dairy Development Board (NDDB)** and market leader **Amul**, reviving a collaboration to boost dairy output
- **External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar** and his German counterpart **Annalena Baerbock inked a mobility partnership pact** to make it easier for people to study, do research and work in each other's country.
- **Integrated policy agenda** for a human-centred recovery that is **inclusive, sustainable and resilient**" is the **theme of the 17th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting (APRM) of the International Labour Organisation** held in Singapore
- **Yuan Wang 5, surveillance vessel of China**, re-enters Indian Ocean through the Sunda strait, off Indonesia
- **Indonesia ban on sex outside the marriage**
- **Japanese start-up launches historic moon mission with help of SpaceX**

- **NASA's Orion space capsule splashed down safely in the Pacific , completing the Artemis-1 mission**
- The U.S. The Treasury (United States of America's Finance Ministry) has printed the first US banknotes (currency notes) with two women's signatures.
- **India Global Forum held in UAE**
- **Japan shakes up its defence policy**, by vowed to increase defence spending to **2% of GDP by 2027**, reshape its military command, and acquire new missiles that can strike far-flung enemy launch sites and warns china
- The **United States** is planning to send the **Patriot surface-to-air missile defense system** to Ukraine to protect electricity infrastructure

Sports

- **Frappart to make world cup history as first women referee during Germany vs. Costa Rica**
- **Paralympic medallist Avani Lekhara receives Para Sports Person of Year award and former Ranji cricketer Sarkar Talwar was honoured with the Lifetime Achievement of the Year award**
- The **third T20 World Cup Cricket Tournament** for the Blind will be **held in India**.
- **Young Indian shuttler Manisha Ramadass has claimed the BWF Female Para-Badminton Player of the Year award**
- **Aditya Mittal has become India's 77th chess Grandmaster** during an ongoing tournament in Spain.
- **Mirabai Chanu wins silver in 2022 World Weightlifting Championships at Colombia**
- **Morocco became the first African side to reach a World Cup semi-final in FIFA world cup 2022**
- **Saurashtra cricket team are the current champions of Vijay Hazare Trophy 2022 followed by Maharashtra as runner up**
- **Ishan Kishan has a new record for the fastest double hundred in ODIs, outstripping Chris Gayle's record**
- **Hyderabad Strikers crowned as champions of Tennis Premier and runner up is Mumbai Leon Army**
- **Neeraj Chopra displaces Usain Bolt in global interest charts with 812 articles followed by Iain Thompson-Herah , world 100m champion Shelley-Ann Fraser-Pryce and world 200m champion Shericka Jackson**
- **Khelo India Women's Track Cycling tournament scheduled in Patiala, Ludhiana and Amritsar**

About FIFA world Cup 2022

- **Argentina won the cup against France**



- **Lionel Messi** wins his **second Golden Ball** for best player
- **Argentina's Martinez** rewarded with the **Golden Glove**
- **Mbappe** bags the **Golden Boot**, **Fernandez** is best young player
- **Deepika Padukone** and **Casillas** showcased the **FIFA World Cup Trophy**
- The **Indian Blind Cricket Team** creates history with, winning the 3rd T20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind 2022 title for the third time!
- **India hockey team** win's **Women's FIH Nations Cup 2022** against Spain led by Captain Savita Punia
- **Jaipur Pink Panthers** won **9th Pro Kabaddi League title** and runner up is puneri palthan
- **Manjeet** prevailed in the 55kg **Greco Roman category** at the National Wrestling Championships at the Rajiv Gandhi Indoor Stadium
- **Nominated Rajya Sabha member and athlete P.T. Usha** is now on the panel of Vice-Chairman of the House
- **Nikhat Zareen, Lovlina Borgohain** win **gold medals** at **Women's National Boxing Championships 2022** in Bhopal
- **Australian all-rounder Ashleigh Gardner** is new No. 1 in women's T20I all-rounders' ranking
- **Brijesh Damani** emerges **National billiards champion**
- **Beth Mead** Awarded **BBC Sports Personality of the Year 2022**
- **Morocco**(Chosen by FIFA) to host **Club World Cup 2023**

Environment

- **"Climate investment opportunities in India's cooling sector"** report by World Bank
- An eight-member team under the **Munnar forest division**, been instrumental in bringing down the incidents of man-animal conflict in the region, has won **recognition through wildlife trust of india award**
- **Chhattisgarh's** first ever interstate bird survey was conducted in the **Kanger Valley national park**

- **Environment Education, Awareness and Training (EEAT)** is a **Central Sector scheme** by **Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change** to promote **environmental awareness** and **mobilize students' participation for environment conservation**. **Grants-in-aid** were sanctioned under this Scheme for two major programmes, namely, **National Green Corps (NGC)** Programme and **National Nature Camping Programme (NNCP)**.
- **Seed Farm In Aluva** In Kerala Announced As **first Carbon Neutral Farm In India**
- **Dugong populations in east Africa** and **New Caledonia** have entered the **IUCN Red List as Critically Endangered** and **Endangered respectively**, the species remains **Vulnerable globally**.
- The **pillar coral** found throughout the **Caribbean** from the **Yucatan Peninsula** and **Florida** to **Trinidad and Tobago**, has moved from **Vulnerable** to **Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red List**
- Team of birdwatchers discover news species of elusive wren babblers in **Arunachal Pradesh**
- Kerala-based organisation named **Thanal** has embarked on a unique conservation experiment, planting 300 climate-resilient varieties of traditional rice on 1.5 acre of land at its agroecology centre in **Panavally** in the **Wayanad district**.
- The famous **Tal Chhapar blackbuck sanctuary in Rajasthan's Churu district** has received a **protective cover against a proposed move** of the State government to reduce the size of its eco-sensitive zone.
- **ISRO Geosphere Biosphere Programme** reported that long-term measurements of **black carbon** over the **Indian region** from regional network of aerosol observatories clearly shows a **decreasing trend** in the past decade
- **Nearly 200 countries**, including India, approved a historic Paris-style deal called **Kunming-Montreal Agreement** to protect and reverse dangerous loss to global biodiversity, following an intense final session of negotiations at the **UN COP-15 summit here in Canada**.

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- **Nagaland Forest Department (NFD)** announced the **re-wilding of ten captive-bred juveniles of Asian Giant Tortoise** into Nagaland's protected forest **Ntangki National Park**
- Scientists working on **Australia's Great Barrier Reef** have successfully trialled a **new method for freezing and storing coral larvae** eventually could help rewild reefs threatened by climate change.
- The **annual census of dolphins began in Odisha's Bhitarkanika national park** and **Gahirmatha marine sanctuary**
- Tamil Nadu launches special project to conserve Nilgiri Tahr

Person in news

- **Former Chinese leader Jiang Zemin**, who led China during a decade of extraordinary economic growth, passed away in Shanghai
- **Shri Sanjay Kumar** takes charge as **Secretary**, Department of School Education & Literacy, **Ministry of Education** Government of India
- **Sri Ravi Shankar** bestowed with **'The Emissary of Peace'** award in US
- The **Delhi High Court** recently passed an interim order to prevent the unlawful use of Bollywood star **Amitabh Bachchan's name, image and voice**.
- **Prasanth Kumar**, CEO, South Asia of **GroupM Media (India) Pvt Ltd**, has been elected as the president of the **Advertising Agencies Association of India (AAAI)**
- **Hansraj Gangaram Ahir** assumed charge as **Chairperson, National Commission for Backward Classes**
- **French writer Dominique Lapierre**, the author of **best-selling books** on India like **Freedom at Midnight** and **City of Joy** and whose novels sold tens of millions of copies passed away
- Former Union Minister and agricultural **economist Yoginder K. Alagh**, passed away, is remembered for being a **"democrat"** and for his **"inclusive approach to development"**. **Chairperson of the Institute of Rural Management Anand** from 2006 to 2012, succeeding Verghese Kurien. He was the **Chancellor of the Central University of Gujarat** and Vice-Chairman, Sardar Patel Institute of Economic and Social Research, Ahmedabad. He also **chaired the Expert Group on the Cauvery dispute and Agricultural Prices Commission**
- **K V Shaji** has been named **Chairman** of NABARD.
- **Volodymyr Zelensky** is **Time Magazine's 2022 Person of the Year**.
- **Dina Boluarte** is the **Peru's first female president**
- **Justice Tashi Rabstan** became the **first Ladakhi** to reach the position of Acting Chief Justice of the joint High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh
- **'Queen of Lavani'** **Sulochana Chavan** passed away
- **Olympian and India's 1970 Asian Games 4x100m relay bronze-winning team member Kenneth Powell** passed away

- **Rajeeva Laxman Karandikar** named as **chairperson of the National Statistical Commission**
- **Ashok Leyland** has appointed **Shenu Agarwal** as **MD & CEO of the company**
- International Mountain Day 2022 is celebrated on 11 December. **Theme is Women Move Mountains**
- **Dev Joshi** is the **only Indian selected for the dearMoon project**. The week-long trip around the **moon is led by Japanese billionaire Yusaku Maezawa** on the spacecraft **Starship developed by Elon Musk's SpaceX**.
- A **grammatical problem** that has defeated Sanskrit scholars since the 5th Century BC has finally been solved by an **Indian PhD student Rishi Rajpopat** at the University of Cambridge
- **Bill Kirkman, a long-time U.K.-based columnist journalist associated with, The Hindu, a former Africa and Commonwealth correspondent for The Times newspaper, and an Emeritus Fellow of Wolfson College Cambridge, passed away**
- **Leo Varadkar an Indian Origin is new PM of Ireland**
- **India's Sargam Koushal wins Mrs World 2022 after 21 years**
- 1971 India-Pakistan war, Longewala **BSF hero Bhairon Singh Rathore(Sena Medal)**, who **Suniel Shetty portrayed in 'Border'** passed away
- **Dinesh Kumar Shukla** is new Atomic Energy Regulatory Board **chairperson**
- **Tamil author M. Rajendran, Telugu writer Madhuranthakam Narendra** and Sanskrit poet **Janardan Prasad Pandey 'Mani'** are among the 23 authors won the Sahitya Akademi awards for 2022. **Anuradha Roy** has been selected for her English novel **"All the lives we never lived"**.
- **Sitiveni Rabuka** elected as **new Prime Minister of Fiji**
- The **Light We Carry** is a book by **Michelle Obama**
- **Sania Mirza** is the **India's first Muslim woman fighter pilot**
- **Nominated Rajya Sabha member and athlete P.T. Usha** is now on the panel of **Vice-Chairman of the House**
- Former Supreme court judge **Justice Hemant Gupta** as the **Chairperson of the New Delhi International Arbitration Centre (NDIAC)**.
- **Santosh Kumar Yadav, IAS** was appointed as the **Chairman of the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI)**.
- **Forks in the Road: My Days at RBI and Beyond** is a Book by **C. Rangarajan**
- **Prabhu Chandra Mishra** honoured with **Atal Samman Award** at Vigyan Bhawan New Delhi
- National Youth Festival in the twin cities of Hubballi and Dharwad on January 2023
- **The Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize 2021-22** has been jointly won by **Sudeep Sen** for his genre and formbender **Anthropocene: Climate Change, Contagion, Consolation** and **Shobhana Kumar** for her haibun collection **A Sky Full of Bucket Lists**
- **Praveen Kumar Srivastava** appointed **Acting Central Vigilance Commissioner**

Important Dates

- **World AIDS Day**, designated on **1 December** every year since 1988, is an international day dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic. **Theme for 2022 is "Rock the Ribbon."**
- India's first line of Defence, **the Border Security Force (BSF)** is celebrating its 58th **Raising Day today (December 1)**. The force defends the international border along with Pakistan and Bangladesh.
- The **International Day for the Abolition of Slavery** is a yearly event on December 2, organized by the United Nations General Assembly. Theme for 2022 is **'Stories of Courage: Resistance to Slavery and Unity against Racism'**.
- The **Hornbill Festival** is an annual festival celebrated from 1 to 10 of December in the Northeastern **Indian state of Nagaland**.
- **December 3rd** is celebrated as the **International Day of Persons with Disabilities**, worldwide. Theme for this year is **"Transformative solutions for inclusive development: the role of innovation in fueling an accessible and equitable world."**
- **Advocate's Day in India** is observed on **December 03, 2022**. It is celebrated by the **lawyer community to mark the birth anniversary** of Rajendra Prasad, **India's First President and a very eminent lawyer**.
- World Soil Day (WSD) is held annually on 5 December as a means to focus attention on the importance of healthy soil and to advocate for the sustainable management of soil resources by FAO. World Soil Day 2022 **Theme: "Soils: where food begins"**
- Universal Health Coverage Day is celebrated annually on December 12 and is promoted by the World Health Organization. **The theme of UHC day is "Build the World We Want: A Healthy Future for All"**
- International Mountain Day 2022 is celebrated on 11 December. **Theme is Women Move Mountains**
- Every year, National Energy Conservation Day is observed in India on December 14.
- **International Human Solidarity Day, observed on December 20**, is an international annual unity day of the United Nations and its member states.
- **National Mathematics Day 2022** is to remember the great contribution of **Srinivasa Ramanujan to mathematics**, celebrated as national mathematics day every year on **December 22**
- **Ladakh is celebrated Losar Festival**, December 24, to mark the Ladakhi New Year. **Ladakhi New Year** is the major **socio-religious festival** of Ladakh celebrated in winter
- **Good Governance Day** is observed in India annually on the 25th of December, the birth anniversary of **former-Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee**. Day was established in 2014 to honor Prime Minister Vajpayee **by fostering awareness among the Indian people of accountability in government**.

- Government decided mark every year, **26th December** shall be observed as '**Veer Baal Diwas**' to mark the **martyrdom of Sahibzada Zorawar Singh and Sahibzada Fateh Singh** .
- **December 24, India observed the National Consumer Day** or Bharatiya Grahak Diwas and **whereas World Consumer Rights Day is celebrated on March 15 every year**
- International Day of Epidemic Preparedness 2022 celebrated on 27 December

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